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E.O. 11652: GDS  
TAGS: PFOR, PO, FR, EEC  
SUBJ: SENIOR QUAI COMMENTS ON "GLOBALIZATION" AND EC  
"INSTITUTIONAL REVIEW"

REFS: A. EC BRUSSELS 2502. B. PARIS 7500.  
C. PARIS 7292. D. EC BRUSSELS 2453.

1. SENIOR QUAI POLITICAL AND ECONOMIC OFFICIALS NOW  
CONFIRM THAT FRENCH THEMES BROACHED TO SOARES, OF  
"GLOBALIZATION" AND NEED FOR "EC INSTITUTIONAL REVIEW"  
(REFTELS B, C, AND D) WERE NOT INTENDED TO DELAY  
INDIVIDUAL APPLICATIONS, PARTICULARLY THAT OF GREECE.

2. EUROPEAN DIRECTOR ANDREANI TELLS US THAT THE  
COMMISSION WILL AT SOME, AS YET TO BE DETERMINED  
POINT, BE ASKED BY FRENCH TO EXAMINE THESE QUESTIONS  
PERHAPS AT AN EC FOREIGN MINISTERS OR EUROPEAN COUNCIL  
MEETING. WHILE TIMING AND NATURE OF SUCH AN APPROACH  
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HAS NOT YET BEEN INTERNALLY WORKED OUT, IN NO CASE  
WOULD IT BE AIMED AT SLOWING INDIVIDUAL APPLICATIONS,  
SUCH AS THAT OF GREECE. PARIS REMAINS DETERMINED TO  
GIVE ATHENS WHATEVER POLITICAL AND MORAL SUPPORT IT  
CAN, ALTHOUGH ANDREANI ADMITS, APPLICATIONS OF SPAIN  
AND PORTUGAL DO COMPLICATE THE PROBLEM.

3. ANDREANI IMPLIED THAT FRENCH THINKING WAS STILL SIMILARLY VAGUE ON TACTICS WITH RESPECT TO PROPOSED EC INSTITUTIONAL REVIEW, SAYING ONLY THAT COMMISSION PROCEDURES WILL HAVE TO BE STREAMLINED IF FURTHER ENLARGEMENT IS TO TAKE PLACE. IN SUM, ANDREANI LEFT EMBOFFS WITH IMPRESSION THAT BOTH THEMES HAD BEEN DOCTORED UP RATHER HASTILY ON EVE OF SOARES VISIT, AND THAT FRENCH THEMSELVES HAD NOT YET COMPLETELY THOUGHT CONFLICTING IMPLICATIONS THROUGH.

4. FROMENT-MEURICE, DIRECTOR ECONOMIC AND FINANCIAL AFFAIRS, PREFERRED CALL IT INACCURATE TO SPEAK OF "CHANGE" IN FRENCH POSITION. RATHER, THERE IS NEED THAT FURTHER CAREFUL THOUGHT BE GIVEN TO CONSIDERATIONS WHICH ARE BECOMING INCREASINGLY IMPORTANT BECAUSE OF OBJECTIVE SITUATION CREATED BY POSSIBLE EXPANSION OF WHAT WAS ONCE GROUP OF SIX TO WHAT MAY BECOME GROUP OF TWELVE. ONE CONSIDERATION HE DESCRIBED AS "SECTORIAL," WITH RESPECT TO FACT THAT RELATIVELY STABLE ECONOMIC RELATIONSHIP IN EC-9 MUST BE REVIEWED WITH SPECIAL REFERENCE TO IMPLICATIONS OF ADDITION TO EC OF UP TO THREE NEW EUROPEAN ECONOMIES. THOUGH EACH CANDIDATE CONSIDERS ITSELF SPECIAL CASE, THERE ARE NUMBER OF "SECTORIAL" FACTORS WHICH INTER-RELATE. THUS, ANY ARRANGEMENTS MADE FOR GREEK WINE MUST BE MADE IN KNOWLEDGE THAT THEY WOULD AFFECT ANY ARRANGEMENTS LATER TO BE MADE CONCERNING PORTUGUESE

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OR SPANISH WINE. THE OTHER CONSIDERATION HAS TO DO WITH THE MECHANISMS OF THE COMMUNITY. THIS, HE SAID, IS NOT TO SUGGEST THAT BASIC COMMUNITY INSTITUTIONS NEED BE CHANGED, BUT THAT MECHANISMS WHICH WORKED FOR SIX MIGHT BE UNSUITABLE FOR TWELVE. IN NEITHER INSTANCE WOULD HE CALL THIS "GLOBALIZATION." (ALTHOUGH THIS WAS TERM USED BY QUAI SPOKESMAN AND OTHER QUAI REPS). THERE HAS CERTAINLY NOT BEEN A FRENCH DECISION TO TREAT GREECE AND PORTUGAL AND PERHAPS EVENTUALLY SPAIN AS A SINGLE ENTITY. THESE COUNTRIES STRONG FEELINGS THAT EACH IS DISTINCTIVE AND SHOULD BE TREATED SEPARATELY IS WELL-KNOWN, AND THE FRENCH DO NOT DISPUTE THAT EACH CASE SHOULD BE CONSIDERED ON ITS OWN MERITS. THEY DO SAY THAT THERE ARE "SECTORIAL" PROBLEMS WHICH AFFECT ALL NEW CANDIDATES AND THAT QUESTION OF MECHANISMS OF AN ENLARGED EC ALSO RELATES TO ALL NEW CANDIDATES.  
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5. COMMENTS: FROMENT-MEURICE'S MORE CAUTIOUS FORMULATIONS ARE PARTICULARLY INTERESTING, SINCE ANDREANI TOLD US IN STRICT CONFIDENCE THAT IT WAS FROMENT-MEURICE WHO HAD "DREAMED UP" THESE TWO NEW THEMES.  
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